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CENTRAL ROAD FUND
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount received by the Railways from Central Road Fund (Diesel Cess) for the construction of railway over-bridges/under-bridges during each of the last three years;

(b) the number of bridges constructed by the Railways from the said fund during the above period, State-wise; and

(c) the concrete steps taken by the Railways for construction of road over bridges at the earliest in view of the traffic congestion at most of the railway crossings especially in Haryana?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a): The allocation of funds received from Central Road Fund by Railways for construction of Road Over Bridges/Road Under Bridges (ROB/RUB) during last three years is as under:

Year	Funds Received under CRF (in Crores of Rs.)	Funds earmarked for ROB /RUB works by Railways (in Cr.Rs.)
2004-05	401	251
2005-06	710.81	410.81
2006-07	710.86	435.86

(b): Number of ROB/RUBs completed during above period State-wise as under:

State	Year-wise completion of works 2004	2005	2006
Andhra Pradesh	4	6	5
Assam	1	0	0
Bihar	0	0	3
Chhattisgarh	0	0	0
Delhi	2	0	0
Haryana	0	0	2
Jharkhand	0	2	4
Karnataka	2	1	1
Kerala	0	6	0
Madhya Pradesh	2	1	2
Maharashtra	1	1	1
Orissa	0	0	0
Punjab	2	0	0
Rajasthan	1	0	0
Tamil Nadu	1	3	10
Uttar Pradesh	0	1	5
West Bengal	3	0	2
Total	19	21	35

(c): Railways construct Road over/under bridges in lieu of existing level crossings on cost sharing basis if the traffic density is one lakh or more TVUs (TVU - A unit obtained by multiplying the number of trains with the number of road vehicles passing over the level

crossing in 24 hours) otherwise on deposit terms. Proposals in both cases have to be sponsored by the State Government concerned duly fulfilling certain preliminary pre- requisites required under extant rules. Qualifying proposals received from State Governments are scrutinized and sanctioned by Railways during the Annual Budget. Thereafter, General Arrangement Drawings and Estimate are sanctioned jointly with State Government by close coordination meetings. Generally, work contracts are finalised for Railway portion and approaches respectively by Zonal Railways and State Governments, once the funds commitment is given by the State Government. Regarding Haryana during the Budget 2007-08, 15 proposals have been sanctioned by Railway and efforts are on with State Government to expedite construction of all the sanctioned ROB/RUB works.